

Plaintiff filed its Amended Complaint on March 16, 2015, seventeen days after Defendants filed their Motion to Dismiss. Consequently this is within the twenty-one days allowed under Rule 15.

It is well settled that an amended pleading supersedes the original pleading, and that motions directed at superseded pleadings are to be denied as moot. Young v. City of Mount Ranier, 238 F. 3d 567, 573 (4th Cir. 2001) (amended pleading renders original pleading of no effect); Turner v. Kight, 192 F. Supp. 2d 391, 397 (D. Md. 2002) (denying as moot motion to dismiss original complaint on grounds that amended complaint superseded original complaint).


**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

1. Defendants' "Motion to Dismiss" (document #20) is **DENIED** administratively as moot without prejudice.

3. The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to the parties' counsel; and to the Honorable Robert J. Conrad, Jr.

**SO ORDERED.**

Signed: March 17, 2015

  
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David S. Cayer  
United States Magistrate Judge

